

Keyboard touchpad combination

Abstract of Disclosure

The preferred embodiment of the invention integrates touchpad cursor control, normally associated with portable computers, onto the top surfaces of keyboard keys. The keyboard keys are, themselves, a network of miniature touchpads. This design of cursor control allows the computer user access to cursor control without taking his or her fingers off the keyboard. The computer user will be able to type normally by pressing the keys down and then move the cursor by dragging a finger across the top surfaces of the keys. Using an intelligent touchpad or driver software, the computer recognizes a difference between a key that is being pressed and another that is being passed over.

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